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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of Nicolas B. Cobb, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING OPC USING MODEL CURVATURE, executed on October 29, 2003.

- X 1. This application is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/457,410, filed December 7, 1999, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- X 2. An application consisting of 20 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 11 sheets of drawings is attached.
- X 3. A newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
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